874. With a view to ensuring that the Weavers' Co-operative Societies took maximum advantage of the Reserve Bank Credit Schemes, special staff had been sanctioned during the year.

(vii) Woollen Handloom Schemes.

875. Six marketing depots and one Central Depot for storing and distribution of cloth were continued to function during the year. These units were run by the Woollen Apex Society and assistance was provided during the year to meet recurring expenditure as per sliding scale of assistance.

876. A Scheme for supply of 20 Carding machines for wool weavers was sanctioned during the year. The Mysore State Woollen Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society had been entrusted with the implementation of the scheme. Carding Machines.

877. Three colonies for wool weavers were sanctioned during the year.

878. The Mysore State Woollen Handloom Weavers Co-operative Society has been sanctioned a loan for bringing 900 woollen handloom weavers into the Co-operative fold. Housing Colonies.

(viii) Silk Handloom Schemes

879. Under the Handloom Development Schemes, three inter sales depots, two inter-state depots and one Central Depot and one Dye House had been established for Silk Handloom Weavers. These units were provided assistance for recurring expenditure as per sliding scale of assistance prescribed.

880. Assistance had been provided during the year for admitting 500 silk handloom weavers into co-operative fold. Share Capital for Silk Weavers.

881. For strengthening the financial position of the Industrial Banks and increasing the borrowing capacity to obtain sufficient loans from the Reserve Bank, Government invested an amount of Rs. 2,75,000 in three Industrial Co-operatives at Bijapur, Belgaum and Dharwar Districts.

882. The Handloom Research and Designing Centre which was started by the grant-in-aid from the Government of India was in receipt of assistance upto the end of 1957-58. Thereafter the scheme was being financed entirely from the the funds of the State Government. Schemes financed by State Government.